

ABSTRACT

An apparatus for fixing photocurable inks includes: a light source for irradiating light for fixation to a recording side of a recording medium printed with photocurable ink; a fixing member which is disposed in a conveyance path of the printed recording medium, is formed in a cylindrical shape, and can transmit the light for fixation; a conveying member disposed so as to face the fixing member over the conveyance path; and a pressurizing unit for nipping the fixing member and the conveying member. The recording medium is conveyed between the fixing member and the conveying member which are nipped by the pressurizing unit, the fixing member and the recording side of the recording medium are made come into tight contact with each other, and a contact part between the fixing member and the recording side of the recording medium is irradiated by the light for fixation which transmits the fixing member to thereby cure/fix the photocurable ink on the recording side of the recording medium.